

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Commission Consent to the Department's Ten-Year California State Rail Plan Resolution G-04-03

- 1.1 WHEREAS the California Transportation Commission (Commission) is required by Government Code Section 14036 to give its advice and consent on the Department of Transportation (Department) 10-year State Rail Plan; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS the Department has prepared the 2004 California State Rail Plan for FY 2003-04 through FY 2013-14 in order to provide a comprehensive 10-year plan; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS the Commission has reviewed the California State Rail Plan at its April 2004 meeting; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS the Commission provided advice on the State Rail Plan and requested that the final ten-year plan:
  - highlight the fact that federal funding from re-authorization is a critical funding component for the Department to deliver its \$3.7 billion 10-year plan, otherwise the rail program would be limited to the estimated \$600 million that is reasonably expected to be available from the State Transportation Improvement Program.
  - highlight the fact the Department does not have a dedicated funding source for overhauling its locomotives and rail cars in the coming years as the equipment ages.
- 1.5 WHEREAS the Commission also requested that the next update of the State Rail Plan includes:
  - charts or graphs that provide a comparison of the Department's progress in attaining its stated goals and "standards" relating to providing rail as an alternative mode of transportation, congestion relief, clean air, fuel efficiency, and improved land use.
  - a schedule/chart showing the number of vehicles that need to be overhauled, the projected estimated cost and when the vehicles need to be overhauled.
  - charts or graphs that provide a comparison regarding the Department's progress in meeting its principal route objectives for the three intercity rail corridors, as well as reflecting changes made to the objectives.
- 1.6 WHEREAS the Department has agreed to incorporate the Commission's advice into its final ten-year report or will incorporate the Commission's advice into the next update of the ten-year report.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby consent to the information contained in the California State Rail Plan and directs the Department to transmit to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Public Utilities Commission in connection with the 10-year State Rail Plan for FY 2003-04 through FY 2013-14.